

IDAPA 02 - DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

02.06.13 - RULES RELATING TO RAPESEED PRODUCTION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF RAPESEED DISTRICTS IN THE STATE OF IDAHO

DOCKET NO. 02-0613-0801

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - REQUEST FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5220, Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 22-108(2), Idaho Code.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in this request for written comments may do so by sending them to:

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DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in non-technical language of the substance and purpose of the request for written comments:

The production of edible and industrial rapeseed for commercial uses and, seed production has changed significantly since the current rules were adopted and the Department is being asked to update the rules to better reflect the current state of the industry in Idaho. Issues needing to be addressed include but are not limited to:

1. Erucic acid and glucosinolate levels in edible and industrial type of rapeseed;
2. Isolation distances between commercial rapeseed production and seed production;
3. Impact of volunteer plants on commercial and seed production fields;
4. The potential impacts of cross pollination of rapeseed with related vegetable seed production i.e. radish, mustard, rutabaga; and
5. Production of rapeseed for bio-diesel.

A copy of the current rules can be found at the following Internet Website: <http://adm.idaho.gov/adminrules/rules/idapa02/0613.pdf>.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this request for comments, contact Michael E. Cooper, Bureau Chief or Thomas Dayley, Administrator at (208) 332-8620.

All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before the first day of January, 2009. As the process moves forward, and negotiated rulemaking is scheduled, additional written comments will be accepted.

DATED this 17th day of July, 2008.

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